

Division: Pharmacy Policy	Subject: State of Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration's Prior Authorization Criteria
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## CHEMET<sup>®</sup> (succimer)

## LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: Up to 19 days

<u>CLINICAL NOTES</u>: Succimer is an orphan drug used in the treatment of lead poisoning in children whose blood lead concentrations are > 45 mcg/dL. Identification and removal of the source of lead exposure should be accompanied with treatment.

## **REVIEW CRITERIA:**

- Patient must be  $\geq 12$  months of age
- Patient must be diagnosed with lead poisoning by a toxicologist/ specialist with chelating agents (or in consultation with)
- Blood levels above 45 mcg/dL for children (<18) and above 70mcg/dL for adults (18 and older) (supporting labs must be submitted with request)

## CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:

- Clinical rationale from the prescriber for continued therapy
- Blood levels above 45 mcg/dL (supporting labs must be submitted with request)

DOSING & ADMINISTRATION: Children (≥ 12 months-< 18 years of age): 10 mg/kg every 8 hours for 5 days, then 10 mg/kg every 12 hours for 14 days

Adult patients (≥18 years of age or older) 10 to 30 mg/kg/day for 5 days